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In re Application of: DA Holman, GJ,) ArtUnit: 1724
Bruckner-Lea, FJ Brockman,)
DJ Chandler) Examiner: Ivars C. Cintins
Serial No: 09/177,902) Paper No. 7
Filed: 10/23/98) File No: E-1658
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR) Date: January 8, 2001
PACKED COLUMN SEPARATIONS)
AND PURIFICATIONS)

AMENDMENT

Box NON-FEE AMENDMENT
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated 10/23/00, Applicant sets forth the following amendments and remarks toward reconsideration for allowance.

IN THE SPECIFICATION OTHER THAN THE CLAIMS

Please delete "And Apparatus" in the Title on pages 1 and 2 of the specification.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 5 as follows where underlined matter is to be inserted and bracketed matter deleted:

5. (Amended) A method of forming a packed column, comprising: